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Applicants: Ashkenazi et al. Docket No: 39780-1618P2C3
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For: **SECRETED AND TRANSMEMBRANE POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC
ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME**

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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In response to the Final Office Action mailed on July 25, 2003 in connection with the above-identified patent application, please consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed within the two month response period thereby requiring the issuance of an Advisory Action.

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